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Letter dated 19 May 1998 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i.
of the Permanent Mission of Cyprus to the United Nations
addressed to the Secretary-General

Upon instructions from my Government and further to our letter dated 7 May 1998 (A/52/889-S/1998/381), I have the honour to draw your attention to further violations of the airspace of the Republic of Cyprus and of the flight information region of Nicosia by military aircraft of the Turkish Air Force.

These new violations occurred on 18 May 1998, when four F-4 fighter aircraft of the Turkish Air Force entered the Nicosia flight information region at 1139 hours from a northeasterly direction and violated the national airspace of the Republic of Cyprus, flying over the Cape of Apostle Andreas and exiting the Nicosia flight information region at 1144 hours.

On behalf of the Government of the Republic of Cyprus, I wish to strongly protest once more against these new and continuing violations of the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the Republic of Cyprus which are in complete disregard of the Charter of the United Nations, the relevant decisions of the Organization on the question of Cyprus as well as the regulations of the International Civil Aviation Organization.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of the present letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 61, and of the Security Council.

(Signed) J. DROUSHIOTIS
Chargé d'affaires

